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CORNELL NOTETAKING

Key Words

1) Use the wheel for transportation.

2) Improve the process of pottery making.

3) Produced copper in large enough to make tools and weapons

4) Irrigate fields

5) Study the stars

6) Develop Engineering skills

system

Main Ideas/Supporting

- Used in Mesopotamia c. 3250 B.C
 - 1st use to make pottery still used today
 - Later used with plows , carts, or chariots
 - Vehicles pulled-donkeys/oxen
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- Addition to pottery's wheel
 - Used the kiln
 - Enclosed oven to bake pottery and bricks
 - It's at a very high temperature
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- Combined copper with tin to make bronze
 - Stronger tools
 - Build bigger and better boats/land vehicles
 - Sumerians can trade with people in far away India
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- Carries water from rivers to their fields
 - Dug channels/canals allowed water to flow from rivers/fields
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- Priests calculated best times for fields and planting/harvesting crops
 - Created calendar that had only 2 seasons (summer and winter)
 - Based on the moon
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- Sumerians used knowledge of mathematics to build huge temples
 - Invented a number system based on sixty
 - Used mathematicians and astronomers until the 1600's
 - Used today to measure angles and time.

Connections and Reflections (Summary)

The Sumerians made many contributions to their civilization. Sumerians ended up being the first to create the wheel. They also upgraded their pottery skills . Throughout the time the Sumerians have made bigger tools and better transportation. Before anyone else came up with the cars.